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Dear Counsel:

This disclosure letter concerns Detective Rafael Ramirez Shield #5234 of the New York City Police Department (“the Department”), presently assigned to Narcotics Borough Manhattan South (“NBMS”), whom the People intend to call as a witness in this case. In addition to the information below, police disciplinary information exists in various formats online, including in a database located at: <https://www.nyclu.org/en/campaigns/Nypd-misconduct-database>. Information concerning Detective Ramirez may or may not be included in this database, and the People are unable to verify the database’s general accuracy.

On or about October 22, 2010, the Department opened an internal investigation into alleged misconduct by Detective Ramirez. The Department later substantiated allegations against Detective Ramirez. They are as follows: said Police Officer Rafael Ramirez, assigned to the 41st Precinct, pursuant to a confidential investigation, violated Patrol Guide Procedure 207-21 (Allegations of Corruption and Other Misconduct Against Members of the Service). On or about October 22nd and 23rd, 2010, Detective Ramirez failed to notify the Internal Affairs Bureau that a civilian he arrested alleged to be involved in a romantic relationship with a uniformed member of service and that uniformed member of service later appeared at the 52nd precinct to retrieve personal property belonging to said defendant. The Department penalized Detective Ramirez with a Schedule B Command Discipline and with the forfeiture of one vacation day.

On or about March 11, 2014, the Department opened an internal investigation into alleged misconduct by Detective Ramirez. The Department later substantiated allegations against Detective Ramirez for DRV – Other Department Rules Proc. and DRV – Fail to Notify IAB. The Department penalized Detective Ramirez with a Schedule B Command Discipline.

Pursuant to People v. Garrett, 23 N.Y.3d 878 (2014), the People are disclosing the following list of civil lawsuits in which Detective Ramirez has been named in his capacity as a member of law enforcement.

The People identified the lawsuits listed below primarily using public databases and information, including a list of lawsuits alleging misconduct by the NYPD and its individual officers which is published every six months on the New York City Law Department’s web site, available at <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/law/public-resources/nyc-administrative-code-7-114.page>. Publicly-available litigation materials related to these lawsuits are also being provided, to the extent the materials currently are in the People’s possession.

Case Name: *CAMEJO, ANDY VS. CITY OF NEW YORK ET AL.*

Case Number: 12CV02370; Court: United States District Court- Eastern District NY; Litigation Start Date: May 14, 2012

Case Name: *MILTON, SHAWN VS CITY OF NEW YORK, ET AL.*

Case Number: 151945/2019; Court: Supreme Court - New York; Litigation Start Date: March 04, 2019

Allegations of misconduct that have not been substantiated and are not pending (including, but not limited to, findings of unsubstantiated, unfounded, and exonerated) are not subject to disclosure and generally are not included in this letter. Additionally, the decision to include information in this letter does not represent a conclusion by the People that all the information contained herein is required to be disclosed under the People's constitutional, ethical or statutory obligations. The People reserve the right to move in limine to preclude or limit reference to the information in this letter in any further proceedings in this prosecution.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (212) 815-0414

Sincerely,

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